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Madrid, September 2.

AN Expreſs arrived laſt Thurſday with Advice, that the Remains of the Spaniſh Troops from Sicily landed at Barcelona on the 25th paſt, to the Number of 12000 Men, with their Genrral the Marqueſs de Lede, who is expected To-Morrow at the Eſcurial General Chacon is alſo arrived at Alicant with the few Troops which were left at Sardinia. On Tueſday laſt circular Letters were ſent to all the Prelates of the Kingdom, with Orders to cauſe publick Prayers to be made in their ſeveral Dioceſſes, for the Preſervation of this Country from the Plague which rages at Marſeilles; and theſe Prayers have been already begun in the Churches of this Town. Very great Preparations are continued for an Expedition, in which 54 Battallions of Foot and 60 Squadrons of Horſe and Dragoons will be employed; theſe Forces are drawn together and quartered between Seville and Malaga, and Tranſports are getting ready to take them on board with a large Train of Artillery, and Stores of Ammunition and Proviſions. Part of thoſe Stores are ordered to be ſent over forthwith to Ceuta, which makes it believed the Expedition is intended againſt the King of Morocco's Dominions. Sig. Pozzobueno, his Catholick Majeſty's Ambaſſadour to the King of Great Britain, being recovered from an Indiſpoſition that detained him here ſeveral Days, ſet out the 31ſt paſt for Bilbao, in order to imbark there for Holland, whence he is to proceed to Hanover. Major Elrington, the Commanding Officer of the Britiſh Garriſon in Gibraltar, having ſome Weeks ſince bought and paid for 40 Bullocks for the Service of the Garriſon, with the Conſent of Collonel Don Bartholomeo Ramos, who then commanded the Spaniſh Troops quartered in the Country near Gibraltar, the preſent Commander of thoſe Troops M. de Louvigny upon Application made to him by Major Elrington, refuſed to let them paſs to the Town. Hereupon Major Elrington ſent hither an Officer to repreſent this to Collonel Stanhope, His Britannick Majeſty's Miniſter, who communicating it to the Marqueſs de Toloſa Secretary at War, he was aſſured by him, that the Marqueſs de Louvigny had no Orders for what he had done, that he would repreſent the Affair to his Catholick Majeſty, and procure all the Satisfaction that could be deſired: Accordingly two Days ago the Marqueſs delivered to Collonel Stanhope an Order for the Captain-General of Andaluſia, commanding him not only to ſuffer the 40 Bullocks mentioned before to paſs to Gibraltar, but alſo to permit the free Entry of all Sorts of Proviſions, with a ſtrict Order to maintain a friendly Correſpondence with the Garriſon for the future. The Duke of Leeds who came lately hither, having deſired Leave to wait on the King at the Eſcurial, to offer him his Services for the re-eſtabliſhing of his Marine, and ſent his Majeſty a Plan upon that Subject; his Catholick Majeſty has excuſed himſelf from accepting his Offer, and therefore ſent him Word that he would not have him give himſelf the Trouble of repairing to the Eſcurial. We have Advice, that Captain Strickland with three or four Britiſh Men of War, is in the Road of Gibraltar, on his Way to England.

Malaga, Aug. 27. The Barfleur and two other Britiſh Men of War are now in our Offing, coming in.

Admiralty Office, Sept. 8, 1720.

The Right Honourable the Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty do hereby give Notice, that the Men who belonged to the Royal Oak at Chatham, are to be removed into the Naſſau there, and that the Wages due to them in the Royal Oak will be paid them on board the Naſſau at the Nore, and therefore it is their Lordſhip's Directions, that they do immediately repair to their Duty, otherwiſe they will not only forfeit the Wages due to them, but be proceeded againſt as Deſerters.

Admiralty-Office, Sept. 8, 1720.

The Right Honourable the Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty are pleaſed to direct, that the Men abſent from His Majeſty's Ships Ipſwich, Lyon, Windſor, and Panther at Portſmouth, and from the Deptford at Sheerneſs, do immediately repair to their Duty on board the ſaid Ships, otherwiſe they will not only forfeit the Wages due to them, but be proceeded againſt as Deſerters.

Navy-Office, Sept. 7, 1720.

This is to give Notice, that the worſhipful the Governours of the Cheſt at Chatham will pay all the Arrears due to the Penſioners belonging to that Charity to Lady-Day laſt: And that the ſaid Pay will begin on Tueſday the 8th of November 1720, at the Hill-Houſe at Chatham.

General-Poſt-Office, London, Sept 5, 1720.

Whereas the Briſtol Mail diſpatched from thence on Saturday the 3d Inſtant, was laſt Night between 11 and 12 a-Clock robbed upon the Road between Hartſhatch and Maidenhead, by one Highwayman, who took ſeveral Letters out of the Bath and Briſtol Bags: Theſe are therefore to give Notice, that whoever apprehends the ſaid Perſon concerned in this Robbery, ſo as to have him convicted of the ſame, ſhall receive a Reward of One Hundred Pounds to be paid by the Receiver General of the Poſt-Office in London, over and above the Reward directed by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen. N. B. The Perſon who committed this Robbery was mounted on a black Horſe.

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